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PROJECT NAME:

South Lake DeCade Freshwater Introduction Project Portion of CWPPRA TE-39

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TOTAL CIAP FUNDS REQUESTED:

\$ 780,000.00

PARISH CIAP FUNDS PROPOSED: \$ 0.00
 STATE CIAP FUNDS REQUESTED: \$ 780,000.00

PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

Increase transfer of Atchafalaya fresh water into lower Penchant tidal marshes by installing culverts, a multi-gated 'inflow' structure along south Lake DeCade levee and Lapeyrouse Canal, also enlarge existing Lapeyrouse Canal to proposed structure.

PROJECT LOCATION:

Terrebonne Parish, LA approximately 15 miles southwest of Houma, LA. Located within T19S-R15E and T19S-R16E, south side of Lake DeCade, and is within the Region 3 Mapping Unit of the Coast 2050 Management Plan.

PROJECT TYPE:

Conservation, restoration and protection of coastal area, including wetlands. Increase freshwater and associated sediments/nutrients from the Atchafalaya River into the deteriorating southern marshes of Lake DeCade. This would aid in the increase of emergent vegetation in the deteriorated areas.

PROJECT JUSTIFICATION:

The area is experiencing marsh deterioration and land loss due to subsidence, human-induced hydrologic changes and saltwater intrusion. The proposed project will allow freshwater and sediments from the Atchafalaya River Complex, via the GIWW, adjoining canals and Lake DeCade to enter the marsh areas south of the lake.

PROJECT COST SHARE:

Apache Louisiana Minerals, Inc. (Apache Corporation), as partial landowner, can provide inkind services involving the existing earthen shoreline embankment which has been annually maintained since 1965. Additionally, private funding and in-kind services options are being considered by the nominating parties.

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